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Re: Conservation Chemical Company Site

Dear Ms. Beasley:

This firm represents Viking Pump, Inc., a potentially responsible party for the Conservation Chemical Company site in Indiana. We acknowledge receipt of your General Notice of Potential Liability. Please be advised, however, that we do not wish to consent to perform or finance the clean-up activities described in the notice at this time. Nor do we wish to reimburse the U.S. EPA for its costs at this time.

Nonetheless, we remain committed to working with the U.S. EPA for a resolution of this matter and to complying with all applicable CERCLA provisions. We will also attend the kick-off meeting on November 10, 1994. In the meantime, we request that you forward all future correspondence for Viking Pump, Inc. to this office.

Please feel free to contact me or Ed Mueller if you have any questions or comments.

Very truly yours,

Jeffrey S. Torosian

JST/ck

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